



Archaeology News



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- **Archaeological field schools-** As archaeological field school time approaches, please remember, per 312 IAC 22-2-3 (2), that an application to conduct a scientific investigation under Indiana Code 14-21-1 shall be filed at least 30 days before the proposed commencement of the project. Don't hesitate to let the DHPA archaeologists know if you have any questions.
- **Archaeology site of the Month-** The Yankeetown site (12W1) in southern Indiana is the "type site" for the Yankeetown Phase. Greenan and Garniewicz (2010:28) state that the Yankeetown Phase of the Lower Ohio Valley "is recognized as the first population in the region to rely on maize-based horticulture." The Late Woodland Yankeetown Phase is found in extreme southwestern Indiana and exhibits diagnostic incised ceramics, often grog tempered. To learn more about this still poorly understood culture, and current Yankeetown studies, feel free to go to http://www.in.gov/dnr/historic/files/hp-Vol6_No1_Indiana_Archaeology.pdf and <http://www.in.gov/dnr/historic/files/hp-IndianaArchaeology2010.pdf>.



Fragments of large Yankeetown Incised jars are shown above (Greenan and Garniewicz 2010:42).

- **Indiana's new National Historic Landmark**- The Chief Richardville home (also known as the Akima Pinsiwa Awiiki) in Fort Wayne has been designated a National Historic Landmark. It is a rare surviving treaty house which was built as part of the terms of the 1826 Treaty between the Myaamia (Miami) and the United States. To learn more about this nationally important home and its history, go to <http://www.fwhistorycenter.com/chiefRichardvilleHouse.html> and <http://www.nps.gov/nhl/Spring11Noms/Pinsiwa.pdf>.
- **Professional Development**- Senior Archaeologist Amy Johnson and Rachel Sharkey, Records Check Coordinator, will be attending the Indiana Archaeology Council's Spring Workshop on March 24th and 25th at the Taylor Center of Natural History in Noblesville. The theme for the workshop is Historic Archaeology, and interesting presentations and posters are planned. To learn more, go to <http://www.indianaarchaeology.org/> or contact Kim Smith at kimberly.smith@amec.com.



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Indiana Archaeology Month (September) webpage-
<http://www.in.gov/dnr/historic/3674.htm>

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